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For: DISCHARGE VALVE APPARATUS FOR
RECIPROCATING COMPRESSOR

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**BOX PATENT APPLICATION**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

January 28, 2002

Sir:

The following Preliminary Amendments and Remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

AMENDMENTSIN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please amend the specification as follows:

Before line 1, insert --This application is the national phase under 35 U.S.C. § 371 of PCT International Application No. PCT/KR01/00827 which has an International filing date of May 19, 2001, which designated the United States of America and was published in English.--

REMARKS

The specification has been amended to provide a cross-reference to the previously filed International Application.

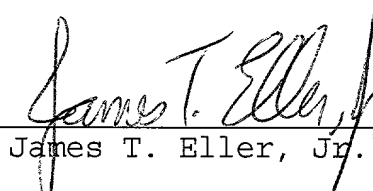
Entry of the above amendments is earnestly solicited. An early and favorable first action on the merits is earnestly solicited.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

Respectfully submitted,

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